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30. The slider of claim 21 wherein the trench is sized to provide a slider-disc interface in the toe-dipping regime in which the landing pads provide an interface with a lubricant on the disc surface.

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31. The slider of claim 21 wherein the at least one landing pad is on the rail.

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32. The slider of claim 21 including a second raised side rail.

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33. The slider of claim 28 including at least one pressure relief trench in the second side rail.

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34. A disc storage system including the slider of claim 21.

REMARKS

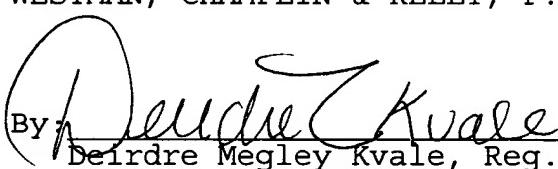
This Preliminary Amendment is to the divisional application filed herewith. Consideration and favorable action are respectfully requested.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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